giving their workforce at various levels multifaceted exposure so that their attitudinal, behavioural and functional orientation is towards delivering optimum power generation output.

Various internal training modules have been prepared on the basis of organisational needs and individual employee need assessment. The competency enhancement of employees are undertaken through induction level, refresher level and advance level human resource development programmes.

Employees engaged in generation and maintenance of power plants are also being deputed within and outside the country for various training programmes on power plant maintenance, effective and efficient handling of machinery and use of new technology to achieve the optimum utilization of machine capacity.

(c) and (d) Continuous training of workforce of generating PSUs has been one of the significant factors in enhancing the performance of generating plants. With the help of these trainings, PSUs have been able to maintain and operate the machines in an efficient manner, with emphasis on preventive maintenance. This has also resulted in reduced breakdowns/outages thereby giving a far better plant performance leading to a higher plant load factor (PLF).

Funds for rural electrification in Karnataka

1806. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a request from Karnataka, for releasing the first instalment under RGGVY through Rural Electrification Corporation Ltd. for the remaining nine districts of the State, has been pending with the Central Government since December, 2006; and

(b) if so, the present status of the case and by when the necessary funds are likely to be released to the State?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) Yes, Sir. Karnataka Government had requested release of first instalment against nine district based projects under RGGVY.

(b): All these nine projects though sanctioned but were kept on hold for execution during 10th Plan Period, as such first instalment against these projects could not be released. Of these nine projects, the Monitoring Committee on RGGVY has subsequently accorded approval for execution of six projects during Phase-I of the 11th Plan period and the balance three projects are to be considered during Phase-II of the 11th Plan period, the details of these are given in the Statement (*See* below).

The first instalment against the sanctioned six projects for execution during Phase-I of the 11th Plan shall be released on completion of pre-requisites in terms of RGGVY guidelines/ sanction letter.

Statement

Details of nine projects of Karnataka under RGGVY

Sl. No.	Name of District	Date of receipt of project	Name of Implementing Agency	Whether habitations below 300 covered	Villages covered for household electrification under the project				Habitations covered for household electrification under the project			Total No. of households to be provided access to electricity (Incl BPL)	total No. of connections proposed to be released to rural households (Incl BPL HH)	No. of PBLHHs to be electrified under the project	Revised project cost due to enhanced BPL cost and energy charges
					No. of un-electrified villages	No. of de-electrified villages	No. of electrified villages	Total No. of villages covered for household electrification	No. of electrified habitations to be electrified for household electrification	No. of electrified habitations covered for electrification	Total No. of habitations covered under the project				
	(A) Sanctioned for execution during Ist Phase of 11th Plan														
1	Belgaum	23.8.2005	HESCOM	Y	5	0	1131	1136	551	1002	1553	163192	163192	62430	4580.21
2	Chamrajnagar	9.8.2005	CESCOM	Y	0	0	422	422	512	849	1361	69762	69762	22781	1131.81
3	Chickmagalur	25.8.2005	HESCOM	Y	1	0	1033	1034	462	2468	2930	58600	58600	19429	3041.15
4	Gulbarga (Revised)	26.7.2005	GESCOM	Y	0	0	1344	1344	1088	1707	2795	130939	130939	58973	4325.24
5	Shimoga	18.8.2005	MESCOM	Y	48	0	1471	1519	1290	2895	4185	41964	41964	23098	2344.15
6	Uttar Kannada	23.8.2005	HESCOM	Y	29	0	1219	1248	604	5724	6328	34614	34614	19657	2487.24
6	Sub-Total (A)				83	0	6620	6703	4507	14645	19152	499071	499071	206368	17909.80
	(B) Projects to be sanctioned for execution during IInd phase of 11th Plan														
1	Dakshina Kannada				0	0	371	371	3019	1351	4370	62291	62291	14820	2459.81
2	Kodagu		MESCOM		0	0	296	296	128	481	609	96394	96394	39669	3360.92
3	Udupi		MESCOM		0	0	256	256	935	2514	3449	27628	27628	9688	1444.61
3	Sub-Total (B)				0	0	923	923	4082	4346	8428	186313	186313	64177	7265.34
9	Total (A+B)				83	0	7543	7626	8589	18991	27580	685384	685384	270545	25175.14